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INTELLIGENCE OF EASTERN WAR

Further Particulars of the Naval Engagement
Between Chinese and Japs.

CHINESE STUBBORNLY RESISTED

The Japanese Army and Navy Reserves Have Been Summoned Into Service--Korea's King Appeals in Vain for Aid from European Powers. Japanese Ships Have Again Been Fired Upon from Shore--China insists That War Has Not Been Declared.

LONDON, July 29. THE Central News has this dispatch from Shanghai: "The Chinese warship Tiao-Khan, which was captured by a Japanese warship off the coast of Round Island, is a vessel of an obsolete model and was equipped poorly for fighting. Although completely outmatched by the Japanese cruiser, the troops offered some resistance and lost fully a hundred men, killed and wounded, before she yielded. She was entirely disabled when the Japanese boarded her.

"The troops of Kow Shung tried to get away as soon as the Japanese warships began their attack and made only a weak running fight. The Japanese swept her decks and carried off the Chinese soldiers by the score. The latest estimate of the number aboard her is 1,700. Only forty survived the founder of the ship. They say that all her officers were killed before she went down.

"The announcement that the rest of the Chinese transports arrived safely at Korea and landed their men is confirmed. On the twenty-seventh the Japanese installed heavily those who landed on the peninsula at Yachin. The Japanese officers hoped that to prevent the junction of the Chinese with the Koreans near Seoul. Whether they accomplished their object is not known.

CONCENTRATING TROOPS AT TAIPEI. "No news of the hostilities can be obtained from Peking. The messages received at the telegraph offices and in other messages referring to current events are accepted. The outlying battalions of the northern army are concentrating rapidly at Taipei, the rendezvous from which the regiments are embarked for Korea.

"The work of preparing harbor defenses here advances rapidly. Torpedoes are being laid in the north channel at the entrance of the Yang Tze Kiang. Great quantities of ammunition have been purchased by the government and are being collected at the ports for shipment. The exportation of rice and grain has been prohibited. Trade is paralyzed.

"The coal steamers and small craft are afraid to leave the harbors. While everything looks and sounds like war, the Chinese officials continue to maintain that war has not been declared.

The Central News has this in official circles here there is a strong feeling in favor of mediation on the part of the United States. Through few believe that Japan and China would accept arbitration unless under considerable pressure.

CHINESE VACATE JAPAN.

YOKOHAMA, July 29. The army and navy reserves have been summoned into service. Chinese residents of Japan are fleeing in large numbers. Reliable news has reached Tokyo that the main body of Chinese troops crossed the northwestern frontier of Korea on July 25.

In official circles everywhere it is convinced that China's recent negotiations were a mere subterfuge to gain time and concentrate her forces with a view to a military move on the Korean peninsula. It is reported that the Japanese ships have been fired on again from the shore.

SHANGHAI, July 29. The British cruiser Porpoise sailed from Chefoo today to protect British interests in Korea. The Japanese minister in Seoul requested the king, before his capture, to demand the withdrawal of Chinese troops from Korea. He receded and threatened the Japanese troops with a brief encounter they routed the Koreans and occupied the royal palace. The king appealed to the representatives of European powers, but in vain.

BODIES MANGLED BY RATS.

Remains of Boys Who Have Been Missing Since Tuesday Discovered.

HARTFORD, Conn., July 29. The three Guinan children, who strayed away from their home on Broad street, this city, Thursday afternoon, have been found, and all three are dead. Chief of Police Bill gave orders this morning that all cars about the depot and the freight yards be thoroughly searched. A few minutes after 10 o'clock police men who had been searching cars in the yard of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad for about two hours came to a caboose from which sickening odors came. They burst open the door and the stench, which had been strong before, became almost overwhelming. Keeping on at their work of investigation the officers traced the smell to the closet which the trainmen use as a clothes press, and breaking open the door they found the three little bodies, naked and mangled by rats.

Freddie, the 4-year-old, lay at the bottom. On him was Raymond, 9 years old, and on top of both was Leroy, 7 years old. Under the three bodies were the few garments the boys wore when they left home. At the autopsy this afternoon nothing was found to indicate violence. The condition of the lungs indicated death by suffocation, and the absence of effusion and other marks about the neck precluded the suspicion of strangulation.

The theory is that the little fellows

TEMPERATURE IS AIDING TARIFF

Obstinate Extremists Cannot Hold Out Against the Heat.

EARLY AGREEMENT LOOKED FOR

Compromises Will Be Forced by the Sultry Weather and It Is Predicted That the Bill Will Be Rescued from Chaos This Week--Appropriation Measures to Be Considered--The House of Representatives Will Simply Drift--The Springer Bill Recommended.

TENT AUDIENCE DRENCHED.

A Thousand People Thrown Into a Panic at Wellboro.

WELLBORO, Pa., July 29. A violent thunderstorm in this place last night drenched crops and much property. Two farm barns and a dwelling which were struck by lightning have been burned. A dramatic performance was going on in a tent here and the wind split the canvas and the audience of 1,000 persons were drenched and thrown into a panic.

Women fainted, children screamed and men rushed for the exit and panic demonism reigned while the rain fell in sheets and the lightning was incessant. Fortunately no one was seriously injured.

THE PLAGUE IN CHINA.

Novel Methods That Have Been Adopted in Canton for Checking the Disease.

WASHINGTON, July 29. Several reports regarding the "plague" in China have been received at the Marine hospital bureau. Secretary Denby, of the United States legation, says that at Canton a novel and thoroughly Chinese method of checking the disease was hit upon. A fortune teller, having given out that the plague would die away with the approach of the spring solstice, the people of Canton, in order to deceive the gods of sickness, made the first day of the fourth moon (May 5), their New Year's day, every ceremony by which the day is celebrated was gone through with religious exactitude. The local authorities assisted in this farcical performance. The New Year's festivities in the presence of such widespread death, had a somewhat ghastly character.

Congressional writing from Canton, says everything continues in wild confusion. Business is suspended. It has been in nearly all parts of Canton during the plague, and has remained at its post through it all and is persuaded that with the observance of proper precaution, especially in securing a supply of pure water for cooking and washing and for flushing drains in time of drought, there should be no such thing as this plague, except where the natives, in congested localities, cause pollution of air by overcrowding and filth and violation of sanitary conditions for safety.

During all of the plague heathen processions have been constantly marching through the streets of Canton throughout the night, pounding gongs, exploding firecrackers, expelling idols and other similar devices, supported by contributions from the shops and stores, to propitiate the evil spirits and to dispense the adverse elements.

A SENATOR SET FREE.

Accused of Forgery, He Convinces the Governor of His Innocence.

LANSING, Mich., July 29. Governor Rich has refused to grant the requisition of the governor of California for the extradition of Alonzo J. Whitman, the ex-senator from Wisconsin, who was charged with forgery. It was proved to the satisfaction of the governor, by testimony of business men in Howell, Mich., that the signature that was alleged to have been forged by Whitman was genuine. Whitman will be given his liberty.

GOGBEC STRIKE OFF.

After an Idleness of Six Weeks the Miners Resume Work.

IRONWOOD, Mich., July 29. The miners strike in the Gogebic range was declared off today after an idleness of six weeks and a loss to the workingmen of \$10,000, and an additional loss to the county of \$50,000.

The militia will leave here tomorrow.

FREAKS OF OLD SOL.

In the Iron Mountain, Michigan, it stood at 100 in the shade.

At Huron, S. D., the mercury went up to 108 degrees in the shade.

In camp at Peekskill, N. Y., it was 104 degrees. One private was prostrated.

At Elizabeth, N. J., with the mercury at 102 degrees and a hot sun.

Eighteen prostrations and one death formed Brooklyn's tribute to the weather clerk.

At Hannibal, Mo., and Davenport, Ia., the thermometer registered an even 100 degrees.

At Omaha, Yankton and Sioux City, 106 degrees in the shade was the top notch of the torrid wave.

Three persons were killed and ten prostrated in Philadelphia Saturday by the heat. The thermometer registered 97 degrees.

Even at Marquette, Mich., and La Crosse, it was 101 degrees, while at Green Bay, St. Paul, Alpena and Rochester it was 98 degrees.

Even Germany sizzled. A dispatch from Berlin says hundreds were overcome, while outdoor work has been generally suspended.

Twenty-five employees of the Williamsburg, N. Y., sugar refinery were overcome by the heat Saturday and the establishment had to close.

The Wilkes-Barre weather editor puts Saturday's torridity in that city at 102 degrees in the shade, and says it was too hot for the people even to attend a circus.

The Louisville Courier-Journal, Henri Watterson's paper, had made an offer of \$1,000 to the subscriber who could in advance name the hottest day in August; the Louisville paper had made an offer of \$1,000 to the subscriber who could in advance name the hottest day in August; the offer is withdrawn. A November election ginning contest has been substituted, as offering cooler sport for Democrats.

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NEW YORK, July 29. The building at the southwest corner of Fulton and Gold streets, numbered from 29 to 33 Fulton street, was gutted by fire this afternoon. This building was occupied by various firms. The loss will amount to about \$150,000. The following were burned out: Mondot & Alken, restaurant and saloon; S. Berendson, dealer in patent medicines; A. Fell & Co., drapers and tailors; Schumler & Bro., steam printers; The Law Journal, composing rooms; A. Lounsbury, manufacturing jeweler; Fairchild Bros. & Foster, manufacturer of digestive ferments; and Charles Schmoizer, lithographers. The cause of the fire is unknown.

THE BRIDGE COLLAPSED.

Two Spans Gave Way, Wrecking a Freight Train.

BRADFORD, Pa., July 29. As a freight train consisting of seven loaded cars and some empty empties en-route from Buffalo south on the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburgh railroad was passing over the bridge at Carrollton, N. Y., this morning, two spans of the bridge gave way and the train went down on top of each other. It will take several days to clear the wreck.

The Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburgh trains are using the tracks of the Erie from Salamanca to Limestone, N. Y. The loss will approximate \$50,000. A crowded excursion train from Bradford to Silver Lake was used to cross the bridge shortly after the freight train met with the accident. No one was injured.

RECOVERED HER SPEECH.

Electricity Aids in Making One Woman Delineated.

ORANGE, N. J., July 29. Mrs. Francis D. Lorton last March caught a severe cold and partly lost her speech. Nearly every physician here was consulted. Finding their efforts useless, Mrs. Lorton decided to consult a specialist. The specialist inserted a small copper wire in Mrs. Lorton's throat, turned on the current and told her to speak. "You'll be as much surprised as I if I do speak," said Mrs. Lorton in her natural voice. She could hardly believe herself, and is now as well as ever she was. The doctor explained after the operation that a shock of some kind was the only means of restoring her speech.

ASSASSIN AT WORK.

Cowardly Thugs Go Gunning for Non-Union Workmen.

DANVILLE, Ill., July 29. Shooting at non-union men in the Eastern Illinois yards at Danville Junction is a pastime of almost nightly occurrence. Joe Byrne, an engineer, was shot last evening and died from the effects of the wound at noon today at St. Elizabeth hospital.

His engine was crossing Fairfield street when a man standing on the sidewalk but a few feet distant deliberately fired four shots out of his revolver into the cab of the engine. The murder walked away and escaped. Neither Byrne nor his fireman knew the assassin.

SEED TIME AND HARVEST.

Congressmen Get More Money to Spend for Garden Seeds.

WASHINGTON, July 29. The great question of the distribution of seeds by members of congress in their rural constituents, has been settled by the conference on the agricultural appropriation bill on a basis which will secure the most extensive dissemination of the seeds with the least trouble to congressmen.

As the bill will finally pass reported from the conference it will compel Secretary Morton to have disseminated \$100,000 worth of agricultural seeds.

FAIRLY RAISED A MOUNTAIN.

Quarrymen Lift 12,000 Tons of Rock by Immense Charge of Dynamite.

ALLENSTOWN, July 29. Twelve thousand tons of rock were heaved by a blast made in a quarry in Egypt, this county, yesterday morning. Twenty-two holes were bored into the side of the mountain aggregating 190 feet, and into the holes was placed a ton and a half of dynamite.

The whole mountain was raised several feet into the air and fell back again.

HOMESTEAD STRIKE ECHO.

Knights of Labor After the Political Scamp of Congressman Oates.

OMAHA, July 29. The Knights of Labor general executive board is preparing an open letter to the voters of Nebraska, giving Congressman Oates' record as chairman of the Homestead strike subcommittee.

It is alleged he furnished the Pinkertons with a copy of the Knights of

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